



Hi jinks at the Hi school



MARGIE, MY LITTLE MARGIE!... Gee, Santa, I didn't know you cared.—(Staff Photo)

AND WHAT would little Joey (Bray) like for Christmas?... Well, Santa, my bottle of nasty pills is getting low.—(Staff Photo)

## Many, many Merry Christmas greetings

from merchants, store keepers, friends and business associates in today's big third section of the Acton Free Press



Little Joey and Little Margie, (teachers Joe Bray and Marg Tamblin) were chosen to sit on Santa's knee, at the high school Christmas concert Friday afternoon.



SANTA CLAUS (Brian Skerritt) had gifts for visiting caretakers Rudolph Spielvogel and Ken MacKinnon at the high school Christmas concert, Friday. The two likeable caretakers will be missed very much by students and teachers.—(Staff Photo)

### Shower of needles means dry tree

A moist Christmas tree is a fresh one. A dry Christmas tree is a fire hazard. These are the simple facts of Yuletide tree selection. Remember them and you won't

go wrong in buying the family Christmas tree. Feeling, not seeing, is the answer. Feel twigs and needles to determine if they are dry and brittle.

### Gift-giving

While none can deny that there are commercial aspects to our modern-day celebration of Christmas, it must be remembered that each of us observe Christmas in our own way.

Gift-giving is in keeping with the spirit of Christmas—if it is done with emphasis on giving and sharing, rather than on being sure that we give each individual a gift that is as good or better than the one we receive from them. It is even more in the spirit of Christmas if we give to the less fortunate.

### OSPRINGE

## Turkey supper, concert skidoo accident in news

By Mrs. D. G. Robertson  
The county of Wellington road employees and their wives, were entertained recently at a Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Lang.

Cards were enjoyed, followed by a tasty lunch served by the hostess.

Mr. K. Klooster spent a few days last week with her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Ben Klumpenhouwer and family at Brampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jansen and two children have moved into the house on the second line, recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Ron White. The Jansens

formerly lived on the first line below No. 5 Sideroad.

Several busloads of children from Guelph, have visited the farm of George Grundy recently to watch Christmas trees being cut ready for market.

Kenny, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray McKittrick, returned home last week from the Crippled children's hospital in Toronto, where he was receiving treatment.

Mrs. L. Lang of Brockville has been visiting with her son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. George Lang.

Fred Archibald was injured early Sunday morning when the

congratulate them and extend their good wishes for the future. Alex Mitchell and Nellie Campbell were married December 15, 1924 in Georgetown Methodist parsonage by the Rev. Caldwell.

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well as brothers and sisters of the couple.

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Mr. Edwin Perryman has been hospitalized with a heart ailment.

The little son of Rick and Elaine Sales was badly scalded when the vaporizer tipped scalding water on his leg.

A number of Ballinafad pupils were part of the Brisbane School Choir which took part in the concert at Rockwood Thursday night.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Hajar, the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hajar, who were recently married.

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Your Ballinafad correspondent extends sincere wishes for a pleasant Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

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## Our Christmas Message

### CHRISTMAS — THE BIRTH

Christmas — what a wonderful season it is! Not only because of the tinsel or trimmings, the trees and toys, and certainly not because of its exhausting pilgrimages to the crowded stores and not even because of the good cheer and goodwill it brings into our homes.

Christmas is a wonderful season because of the message of the angel: "Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour which is Christ the Lord" — (Luka 2:10,11)

So Christmas comes — a night and a day after the weeks of preparation and how quickly it is all over.

Yes, thoughtful men search for the meaning of it all — a meaning that holds true after the toys are broken, after the tinsel and colored lights are taken down and trees are thrown out.

In this search for the meaning, we look backwards to the magic, mysterious, holy night. Can we capture some of the glow from the angel's song, the shepherds, the Wise Men, and the Christ Child in the Bethlehem manger?

Then we realize the meaning of Christmas — Christ is God's Christmas gift to you! In accepting Him, your hopes, your dreams, your future are safe with God. That is how EVERY DAY becomes Christmas, filled with joy and the peace that passeth all understanding.

This is our wish for you.

### BALLINAFAD

## Anniversary, choir accident in report

By Mrs. R. McEnery  
Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mitchell, who celebrated the 45th anniversary of their marriage on Sunday, Dec. 14.

They held "Open House" at their home on the seventh line below Ballinafad. Members of their families as well as old friends and school mates from here and also from Nassagaweya, their former home, called to

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Broken Christmas tree decorations can still be useful. Cut cardboard into star shapes and apply fresh, white shellac. While the shellac is still wet, place the fragments securely on the cardboard. When dry, the shellac will hold them in place.

Britain's early Druids believed mistletoe could heal disease, neutralize poisons and protect against witchcraft. They wore charm bracelets and rings made of mistletoe, and fastened the plant over the doorway to their homes.

**We Wish You Best Wishes For Christmas And The New Year**

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Mrs. Anna MacArthur

**Greetings**

Here's to you, our good friends and patrons... our sincere appreciation for the privilege of serving you and best wishes for a happy holiday season.

**CHRIS A. SCHOUTEN**

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